

Who are the 144,000 in Bible Prophecy?

This past week I've been doing some research on the 144,000 in the book of Revelation and there are quite a few videos on YouTube, probably over a hundred, and none of them get it right. Some of them have 500, 600, and 700 thousand views! An awful lot of people are being led astray; but that's a sign of the End Times. The Bible says that people with itching ears would go after false doctrines. And there would be many false prophets in the End Times claiming to be Christian, in other words, are coming in the name of Jesus and a lot of people prefer to be under a great delusion: they don't want to know the truth. On this program, I'm going to explain who the 144,000 are because there are three different groups and there may even be a fourth group and we'll talk about that on this program.

So let's start in Revelation, chapter 7, verse number 1: **'After these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth** (notice that 4-4-4 sacred numerology; that means this is a judgment from Almighty God in these End Times) **that they should not blow upon the earth, nor upon the sea, nor on any tree.'** Now, he's going to talk about 144,000 Jews who will be converted and they're going to be sealed so when does this sealing occur? It occurs before the wrath of God. And Jesus refers to these sealed Jews in the Olivet Discourse also, and He lists them first there. He says: **'Let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains'**.



And we know from the testimony of Natan that the mountain they flee to is the Mount of Olives, not Mount Zion. Chapter 7, verse number 2: **'And I saw another angel ascending** (this is an oxymoron because angels do not ascend, they come down from heaven. So we know that in this case, the term 'angel' is symbolic and we'll see that it symbolizes the prophet Elijah) **from the rising of the sun** (that's how we know this is Elijah because Elijah was a Tishbite, he came from Thesbes which is east of Jerusalem) **having the seal of the living God** (one seal, the seal of the Father) **and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea.'** Notice that these angels obey Elijah even though they are supernatural beings and Elijah is a natural being. Of course, Elijah is probably in heaven at the moment when they listen to him, but he may not be; still, he's a

human being. And as I've said all along, the human being, Mary, defeats the supernatural being, Satan, as prophesied back in Genesis 3:15. So here's another example of a human being giving orders and controlling supernatural beings.

Chapter 7, verse number 3: **'Hurt not the earth nor the sea nor the trees till we** (now this is Elijah talking but he doesn't say who the 'we' are but I think we can assume that since Elijah is one of the two witnesses the 'we' must include the other witness and that would be the prophet Enoch) **seal the servants** ('servants' is a code word for the remnant Jews. It's the same here in the book of Revelation as it is in Isaiah 45 and in Micah 5, as I have mentioned many times on this program) **of our God on their foreheads.'** So, these remnant Jews will be sealed on the forehead with the seal of the Father. Chapter 7, verse 4: **'And I heard the number of them that were sealed, 144,000** (so, this is the first group) **were sealed of every tribe of the children of Israel.'** As I said, this is also the first group which Jesus refers to when he says: **'Let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.'**

Chapter 7, verse number 9: **'After this** (so now, chronologically speaking, this next group, which is not one of 144,000, comes AFTER the sealing of the Jews) **I saw a great multitude which no man could number** (this is the only group which is not numbered. There are four groups who will reign with Jesus during the Millennium: the Raptured Protestants, the Protected Catholics, the Holy Martyrs and the Converted Jews) **of all nations and tribes and peoples and tongues** (this is obviously a different group than the converted Jews because it comes from all these different tribes) **standing before the throne and in sight of the lamb** (those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. This group is in heaven) **clothed with white robes and palms in their hands.'** This would indicate martyrdom but not necessarily a bloody martyrdom. There is such a thing as a dry martyrdom and I think that's what is referred to here.

Chapter 7, verse 13: **'And one of the ancients answered and said to me: These that are clothed in white robes, who are they? and whence came they?'** Now the ancient asked John this question because it's important to know who this group is. That's why it is repeated twice. And chapter 7, verse 14: **'And I said to him: My Lord you know. And he said to me: these are they who come out of the Great Tribulation** (this is obviously after the converted Jews) **and**

have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the lamb.' Again it doesn't talk about bloody martyrdom such as being beheaded by the Antichrist. They are made white in the blood of the Lamb, and I suspect this is a dry martyrdom, probably famine, probably exposure to the elements. Chapter 7, verse 15: **'Therefore they are before the throne of God and they serve Him day and night in his temple and he that sits on the throne shall dwell over them.'** Now, there's no indication that this group will return at Armageddon. I believe these are the protected Catholics in the desert but they did not survive the desert. That's why they wear white robes. They suffer a dry martyrdom. Chapter 7, verse number 16: **'They shall no longer hunger nor thirst, neither shall the sun fall on them, nor any heat.'** So, this tells us how they died; they died of hunger, of thirst, in other words, the drought in the desert. **'Neither shall the Sun fall on them'** (they won't suffer sunburn, any more. These are the things that killed them) **Nor any Heat.'** They had suffered from heatstroke; they died from exposure to the elements in the desert. Not all of the protected Catholics who flee into the desert are going to survive and this is something I've only discovered recently. I assumed that they would all return with Jesus at Armageddon. Now I question that. I believe we're going to find there are two different kinds of martyrs. Chapter 7, verse 17: **'For the lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall rule them and shall lead them to the fountains of the waters of life, and God shall wipe all tears from their eyes.'** It certainly doesn't sound to me as if they are going to return as are the Raptured Protestants and the Holy Martyrs. This large group, this huge multitude, they are in heaven to stay.

And now we are going to find two more of the 144,000 groups and they are different than the converted Jews and for them we have to move up to chapter 14, verse number 1: **'And I beheld and lo a lamb stood upon mountain Zion'** (and of course, the Lamb is Jesus and he is returning here for Armageddon) **and with him 144,000 having his name and the name of his father written on their foreheads.'** So how is this different than the converted Jews? Remember, Enoch and Elijah sealed them with the name of the Father, just one seal. This group has TWO names on their foreheads, the name of the Lamb and the name of the Father. So this can't be the converted Jews. There must be two different groups; and there are, these are the Holy Martyrs. These have been killed by the Antichrist. Why do I say that? Well, we have to look at chapter 20, verse number 4, to find a little better description of them. There's only this one verse about them

here. You have to look elsewhere. Chapter 20, verse 4: **'The souls of them that were beheaded** (this IS a bloody martyrdom, very clear) **for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God** (again the same two names that are on their foreheads. That's why these are Christians; both the Old Testament and the New Testament) **and who had not adored the beast nor his image nor received his character on their foreheads, or in their hands and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.'** They are going to survive into the Millennium; that's why they are on Mount Zion with Jesus.

And now we are going to find another completely new group of 144,000; and this is chapter 14, verse number 2: **'And I heard a voice from heaven** (so how do we know this is a new group? It's in a different location! The last group, the Holy Martyrs we just spoke about, they are on Mount Zion. This new group is in heaven) **as the noise of many waters and as the voice of great thunder; and the voice which I heard, was as the voice of harpers, harping on their harps.'** And verse 3: **'And they sung as it were a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the ancients and no man could sing that song but those 144,000 who were purchased** (purchased is John's name for 'raptured'. You won't find the word 'rapture' anywhere in Scripture. You do find Paul talking about 'harpazzo' but that's not an End Times prophecy. John uses the words 'purchased' or 'redeemed' instead of 'raptured'. It's the same group) **from the earth.'** And these are the Raptured Protestants. These are the ones who are on the rooftop which Jesus says they must go up and not come down for any reason.

Chapter 14, verse 4: **'These are they who are not defiled with women for they are virgins.'** Well, there ARE celibate Protestants; that may not be symbolic and maybe they are virgins. This next sentence is very important: **'These follow the lamb wherever he goes.'** We see that they are in heaven but momentarily they are also going to be on Mount Zion with Jesus. In the Olivet Discourse, Jesus talks about the three groups that he sends his angels to collect for the Battle of Armageddon: **'under the four winds'** would be the Protected Catholics who ARE going to survive into the Millennium. They are part of the army. **'Those in one end of heaven to the other end of heaven'**. Those in one end of heaven are these Raptured Protestants and in the other end of heaven are the Holy Martyrs. Now, this last group has already returned with Jesus on Mount Zion. But all three groups will join Jesus eventually before the Battle of Armageddon

starts. And the rest of this verse 4: **'these were purchased** (in other words raptured) **from among men the first fruits to God and to the lamb.'** Again this group are Christians: they have the mark of God the Father and the mark of Jesus His Son. And verse number 5: **'And in their mouth was found no lie; for they are without spot before the throne of God.'** In other words, they are perfect. So you Protestants who are hoping to be raptured, you can see there's only going to be 144,000 of you and you have got to be perfect, without a spot, without a lie, and according to John, you will be celibate. Thus, most people are going to have to go through the Great Tribulation.

So we've seen now the three groups that are numbered: the Raptured Protestants, the Holy Martyrs and the Converted Jews. The Protected Catholics are a huge number in heaven, a huge multitude, and yet we know that Jesus gathers his **'elect from under the four winds'**. Those are also Protected Catholics. In other words, the Catholics are in two separate groups. By the way, 'Catholic' and 'Protestant' are not mutually exclusive here, the way I use the terms. There will be some Catholics who are raptured and some Protestants who are protected in the desert. And Jesus talks about these four groups in the Olivet Discourse, as I said. **'Let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains'**; those are the converted Jews. **'Let those who are on the housetop not go down for any reason.'** If you can't go down, the only other direction is up. That refers to the Raptured Protestants. The next group **'those who are in the field must not go back to take their cloaks'**. The 'field' refers to the Roman Catholic Church and this refers to the Catholics who flee their Church into the desert. And as I say, they are divided into two groups because a lot of them are not going to survive the trials and tribulations of the desert; they don't suffer a bloody martyrdom but they do die from famine and thirst and from sun and heat. And the fourth group are the martyrs: **'Woe to them who are with child and nursing.'** The 'woe' refers to a bloody martyrdom and it doesn't necessarily mean all women; any of those who for some physical reason cannot flee. And then there is a second group: **'Pray that your flight be not in the winter or on the Sabbath.'** 'In the winter', of course, that indicates deprivation in the desert. It can be very cold in the desert and I'm not sure why fleeing on the Sabbath would be bad, but there is undoubtedly a reason you shouldn't flee on that day also. However, there will be 144,000 safely protected in the desert. By the way, 'desert' is not literal; it could be a cave in the mountains, it could be a cabin in the woods, somewhere away from the amenities of civilization. You all be unable to buy

yourself food because you have refused the Mark of the Beast. And in fact, in these End Times, I talk about these various denominations but there will only be two groups: those who take the Mark of the Beast, who end up in hell, and those who refuse. But for those who refuse, life will not be exactly a picnic for them, that's for sure.

And now you know who the 144,000 are. Saint John lists three groups. I suspect the fourth group is also 144,000: in other words the Catholics who are protected in the desert and who do not die because of famine or drought or heat or sun. They are also, I suspect, 144,000 in number who will join with Jesus at the Battle of Armageddon. Remember John says about the Battle of Armageddon: **'they that are with him are called, elect and faithful'** (Revelation 17:14). The 'called' are those who are called to the Marriage Supper of the Lamb, the Raptured Protestants. The 'elect' would be the Protected Catholics. The faithful are the Holy Martyrs. The Converted Jews, as I said, do not partake in the Battle of Armageddon because they are already in the Mount of Olives. So, they would not be on Mount Zion where Jesus is gathering his armies. Now you know who the 144,000 are. You won't find this information in any other video on YouTube. And I suspect all four armies are comprised of 144,000 soldiers which means Jesus has an army of 576,000 in the Battle of Armageddon!

